UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

NEW ENGLAND CENTRAL RAILROAD, INC.,)
Plaintiff))
V.))
SPRINGFIELD TERMINAL RAILWAY CO. AND BOSTON AND MAINE CORPORATION,) C. A. No. 04-30235 MAP
Defendant(s)))
)

MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF MOTION OF SPRINGFIELD TERMINAL RAILWAY COMPANY AND BOSTON AND MAINE CORPORATION TO COMPEL DISCOVERY

Defendants, Springfield Terminal Railroad Company and Boston and Maine Corporation (collectively "ST"), moves that this honorable Court, in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 37(d) and Local Rule 37, enter an order compelling the Plaintiff, New England Central Railroad, Inc. ("NECR"), to serve responses to the first document requests and first set of interrogatories, and in support of this motion states:

- 1. On or about June 30, 2006, Defendant, ST served its first document requests and first set of interrogatories on Plaintiff, NECR.
- On July 31, 2006, NECR's counsel, Richard Davidson, Jr., was given a
 two week extension, via phone, by ST's counsel, Eric Hirschhorn.
 Attorney Davidson was supposed to follow up with a confirming letter,
 but did not do so.

- 3. On August 22, 2006, Eric Hirschhorn emailed Attorney Davidson requesting the discovery again (*Exhibit A hereto*).
- 4. On August 30, 2006, Eric Hirschhorn emailed Attorney Davidson, citing Local Rule 37.1, requesting an immediate discovery conference regarding NECR's failure to provide the requested discovery and, secondly, informing counsel that ST would be filing a Motion to Compel Discovery, unless he would confer with ST and provide the requested discovery (*Exhibit B hereto*).
- 5. On August 31, 2006, at 4:50 pm, Eric Hirschhorn returned a call made earlier in the day by Attorney Davidson, but he had already left for the day. Attorney Davidson was left a message to contact Attorney Hirschhorn. The discovery has still not been received.

WHEREFORE, Defendant, ST, requests the Court to order Plaintiff, NECR, to serve responses to the first document requests and first set of interrogatories within five days and award reasonable expenses, including attorney's fees, to ST incurred as a result of making this motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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/s/ John P. Curtin John P. Curtin